THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE V.V.S.RAO

WRIT PETITION No.25053 OF 2006

22.1.2007

Between:

Kothapalli Rajababu, S/o.Suryanarayana
And others

… Petitioners

AND

Kanupuru Gram Panchayat, represented by its Secretary,
Kanupuru, Korukonda Mandal, East Godavari District
And others

… Respondents

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ORDER:

The petitioners, who are eighteen (18) in number are residents of Kanupuru village of Korukonda Mandal in East Godvari District, are availing protected water supply from the first respondent Gram Panchayat. By impugned show cause notice, the third respondent called upon the petitioners to show cause as to why water connection should not be disconnected, as the same is operated allegedly without permission of the water connection committee. Aggrieved by the same, apprehending that without any further steps, the third respondent might disconnect water supply, the present writ petition is filed.

A perusal of the impugned notice would show that the apprehension of the petitioners is wholly misconceived. There is no denial by the learned Standing Counsel for respondent Gram Panchayat that unless and until appropriate decision is taken by the third respondent, after obtaining necessary explanations from the petitioners, water supply cannot be disconnected. Therefore, the petitioners are given liberty to submit explanations to the show cause notice within a period of one week from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. After receiving such explanations, third respondent may pass appropriate orders, after giving an opportunity to the petitioners of being heard with regard to various allegations. It shall be open to the petitioners to appear before the third respondent personally and submit their case.

The writ petition, with the above observations and directions, is accordingly disposed of. No costs.

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(**V.V.S.RAO, J**)

January 22, 2007
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